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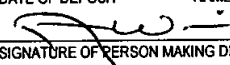
In re application of: Lévesque *et al.*  
Serial No. unassigned  
Filed: January 20, 2000  
For:

**TRANSDIFFERENTIATION OF EPIDERMAL BASAL CELLS INTO  
NEURAL PROGENITOR CELLS, NEURONAL CELLS AND/OR  
GLIAL CELLS**

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In connection with the above-captioned application filed herewith, please enter the following amendment:

In the Specification:

Page 23, line 20, delete "using transdifferentiated" and insert therefor --using cells transdifferentiated--.

## REMARKS

The amendment at page 23, line 20, is to correct an obvious typographical error of